

COUNTRY	East Germany	REPORT	
TOPIC	Military Information from the Weisswasser Troop Training Grounds		25X1
EVALUATION		PLACE OBTAINED	25X1
DATE OF CONTENT			25X1
DATE OBTAINED		PREPARED	31 December 1952
REFERENCES			
PAGES	2	ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)	
REMARKS	This is UNEVALUATED Information		
			25X1

1. From 1 to 11 November 1952, Camp Mochten-Boxberg at the Weisswasser troop training grounds was occupied by guard details wearing red-bordered black epaulets. [redacted] the last motor columns had left the troop training grounds in the direction of Spreefurt during the first days of November. [redacted] the motor vehicles carried personnel. The guard details of the camp were engaged in storing potatoes at the Mochten athletic field. Trucks [redacted] hauled the potatoes to the field.<sup>1</sup>

25X1
2. On 29 October, 3 boxcars were loaded with boxes and billeting equipment and 4 flatcars with sidetracks with lumber at the Weisswasser railroad station. Trucks [redacted] hauled the material to the station. The train departed at night toward Cottbus.<sup>2</sup>

25X1
3. On 1 November, a district komendatura was established on Hegelpromenade in Weisswasser.
4. On 4 November, Camp Mochten-Boxberg at the Weisswasser troop training grounds was occupied only by individual sentries wearing red-bordered black epaulets including some with artillery and tank insignia. At 10:30 a.m. on 30 October, a firing practice with live ammunition began at the tank firing range north-east of Melkenberg, with one shot fired every 40 seconds throughout the entire day. All roads crossing the woods branching off from the Weisswasser-Melkenberg road were guarded by double sentries.<sup>1</sup>
5. On 25 October, the Weisswasser post komendatura which was located in the building of the German Reichsbank on "autzener Strasse was transferred. The personnel left for Cottbus. The building was being reconditioned. The billeting equipment of the komendatura was hauled to a building on Hegelpromenade which, local residents said, was to house a new district komendatura. [redacted] that the previous komendatura building would house an office of the border police.<sup>3</sup>

25X1

CLASSIFICATION SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLY

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLY

2

25X1



25X1

1. Comment. The bulk of the 9th Mecz Div had left the Weisswasser troop training grounds in mid-October 1952. Small detachments later performed firing practice which, according to the present report, were continued in November.

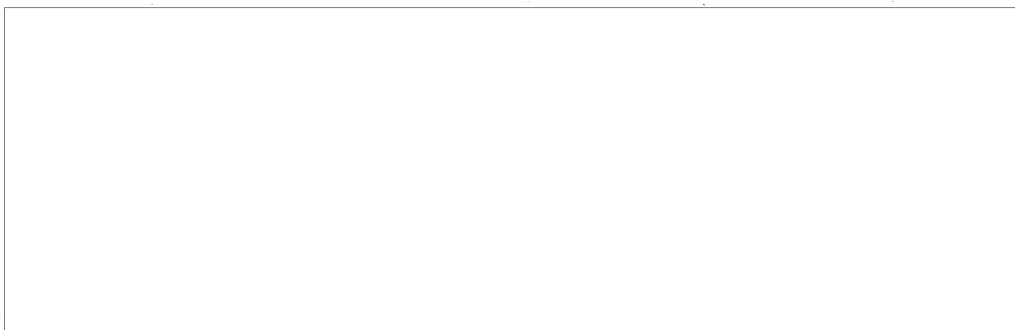
25X1

2. Comment. a train of the 22d Bn of the 5th Mecz Div.

25X1

3. Comment. The komendatura was only occupied during the summer months in previous years.

25X1



25X1

SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLY